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Record of Congressional Telephone Conversation - Region 5

SUBJECT: WAUKEGAN HARBOR UPDATE

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DATE RESPONDED: 05/27/2008

SUMMARY:

Andria called to get an update on the Waukegan Harbor superfund projects as the Congressman is going to be speaking at the Waukegan City Club tonight.

RESPONSE:

5/27: Kevin joined me on the call. Andria asked whether the draft cleanup plan for the harbor was presented to the Remedy Review Board in April. Kevin told her that it was delayed until June 18. We then expect there will be discussion/adjustments for a period of 30-45 days before it is finalized. After it is OKd, we will put it out for public comment and will hold a public hearing. Andria asked if they could get a copy of the draft plan and we told her that was an internal document, but that we will notify their office as soon as it can be made public. Andria asked about the status of the design work for OMC Plant 2. Kevin told her that the 95% design was received in February and the 100% design is expected by June 15. Once we can get money from HQ we will put it out for bid. Kevin explained that with the recent weather related events in OK and its impact on SF sites, we won't know until late June what amount of funding is available for other projects. Once we receive funding it is expected to take 45 days to select a contractor. Kevin also told her that the draft report on the groundwater pilot project was received and the Feasibility Study for addressing the groundwater contamination under the plant is expected any day. We expect to go out for public comment on the groundwater remedy this summer. Kevin said that he originally thought we could hold one meeting/hearing on both the groundwater and the harbor plans, but it looks like they will be separate due to the slippage in the harbor schedule. Kevin also told her that the May 15 CAG tour of the sites was a success and about 35 people attended including the mayor. This was similar to the tour given the Congressman in late April.

Recorded By: Mary Canavan